

RICHMOND HOTEL READY TO BUILD

Ten-Story Wing and Two More
Stories to Be Added on
Present Structure.

CONVENTION HALL ON TOP

Roof Garden Will Also Be Pro-
vided—Total Cost About
\$500,000.

Contracts will be awarded by the Richmond Hotel Company within the next ten days or two weeks for additions and improvements which will cost nearly half a million dollars. A ten-story wing will be erected on the Ninth Street side, toward Broad, and two additional stories will be added to that part of the house now standing. On the top floor of the present structure, the owners will build and equip an assembly hall, to seat 1,000 persons, while the top of the new wing will be made into an elaborate roof garden. The whole floor plan will be changed, with the main entrance on Ninth Street, facing Capitol Square, with a much larger lobby and balcony.

While plans were drawn by Architect John Kavan Peckles, of Norfolk, eight months ago, it was decided then not to proceed with the new work, and no permit was ever issued by Building Inspector Beck. Announcement, however, was made by Samuel T. Atkinson yesterday that all arrangements had been completed, the work of tearing down the Ninth Street annex on the north, to begin immediately. Bids have already been received from a number of leading contractors.

Mr. Atkinson said yesterday that conditions within the past year had convinced him people that the Richmond Hotel was located at the head of what is to become a strictly business thoroughfare—Grace Street—and for this reason it was decided to hasten the work. When the Richmond was very little business away from Broad, although Grace Street now has been invaded, property values between Ninth and Sixth having advanced so rapidly that it is difficult for owners to retain ground for residence purposes.

Mr. Atkinson, who has studied that section quite closely, is of the opinion that big changes will come about within the next twelve months. With the present hotel building increased to ten stories and with the ten-story annex, which will really be a part of the main house, and not separated by any bridge effect, the Richmond will have 225 rooms, practically all of which will have private bath. The assembly hall, or auditorium, will also serve as a banquet hall, one feature being a special kitchen right under the roof. Mr. Atkinson says that the growing demands of the city make it necessary to look to an increase in hotel accommodations, and the Richmond will be able hereafter to entertain large conventions under its own roof.

The contracts will specify that work must be completed by January 1 next, and while the construction is under way the regular business of the hotel will not be interrupted. Indeed, the two top floors will be put on just as easily as extra stories were added to the Mutual and American National Bank Buildings in Main Street. The Grace Street entrance will be used for a woman's entrance, the house being shifted with the help of the wing, to front on Ninth, thus overlooking the park.

Before the summer is near its end, Ninth Street will see the most important building operations and changes in its history. Just a few yards away, the Life Insurance Company of Virginia will be well advanced with the erection of its new building, and the Richmond will be building at Ninth and Grace; Rueger's Hotel will be go-

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ing skyward at Ninth and Bank, while the twenty-story home for the Chamber of Commerce, the First National Bank and two railroads will be advancing rapidly at Ninth and Main.

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BEAT LAST YEAR BY TWO DEGREES

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Chicago, May 18.—Four deaths resulted here to-day from the excessive heat. The mercury touched 90 degrees this afternoon, a record which until this year has not been reached so early for 36 years.

Hottest Since 1850.
Pittsburgh, Pa., May 18.—This was the hottest May 18 here since 1850, and coupled with the excessive humidity, it was a most oppressive day. The thermometer touched 90 degrees, the highest since 1850. The announcement of the Weather Bureau, but on the street unofficial thermometer registered over 92, and in some places 95 was registered.

Seven deaths, one a suicide, were directly attributed to heat prostrations.

COUPLAND NAMED ON FOURTH BALLOT

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of the committee on Bible and Prayer-Book Distribution Society; Rev. Robert K. Massie, that of increase of the military fund; Rev. James W. Morris, that of the fund of the diocese; Rev. R. A. Goodwin, on widows and orphans' funds. This showed that the society had paid more than it had received, which applies to the contributions and receipts from the general fund of the church.

Report on the statement of the treasurer of the diocesan missionary

FRONT VIEW OF NEW RICHMOND HOTEL



society was ready by Rev. J. M. Robinson. This showed that receipts this year were less than last, and expenditures greater.

The committee on new parishes made a report through Rev. J. W. Ware, recommending the establishment of a new parish in Fairfax county, and that application to divide St. Thomas Parish, in Orange county, be declined.

Rev. C. W. Cowling read the report from the Bruce Fund.

At a service held at 7:30 A. M. an address was made by Rev. S. Roger Tyler, of Richmond.

Council convened at 9:30 with devotional services in charge of Rev. W. H. Burkhardt. The sermon was preached by Rev. Robert K. Massie, of Richmond.

A big missionary service was held to-night. "Medical Missions in China," was discussed by Dr. Claude Lee, and "Forward Movement and Appurtenance" was treated by Rev. William Meade Clark, D. D., of Richmond.

A large amount of business is to be transacted before the final adjournment Friday afternoon.

CALLS IN QUESTION ACT OF ASSEMBLY

Times-Dispatch Bureau,
109 North Seymour Street,
Petersburg, Va., May 18.

The question of the constitutionality of the act of Assembly of 1910 authorizing the court on motion of the Board of Supervisors to increase assessments on lands was raised before Judge West, in the Circuit Court of Prince George yesterday. The matter came up on the protest of a land owner in the county against the increased assessment on his property.

The question was not argued at length, as the court at the request of Commonwealth's Attorney granted the writ of habeas corpus.

The question is an interesting one, and as far as known this is the first time it has been raised. At the same time, it may be said the courts in this section have passed upon a great many cases of alleged undervaluations fixed by the land assessors in the different counties, which cases were brought up by the Boards of Supervisors.

Sudden Death of Old Citizen.

A. S. Reinach, a widely known and honored citizen, and for many years a prominent merchant and manufacturer, died suddenly this afternoon at his home, corner of Adams and Marshall Streets, of bronchitis pneumonia. Mr. Reinach was in his seventeenth year and was a native of Germany. He came to Petersburg when a boy of fifteen years, and had resided here ever since. He was a Confederate soldier, and a member of the Grand Army of the Republic.

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RANDOLPH-MACON STUDENT DROWNED

Loses Life While in Swimming
in Railroad Pond Near
Ashland.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

Ashland, Va., May 18.—Hugh Howard

Butterworth, eighteen years of age, the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Butterworth

of DeWitt, Dinwiddie county, a student at Randolph-Macon College, was

drowned in Railroad or Bowles pond

about two miles above Ashland late

this afternoon, while in swimming

with three friends, all Randolph-Macon

students. In company with West-

ley Childs, Carl Meyerberg and Webb

Midville, young Butterworth went to

the pond this afternoon. He was just

learning to swim, but ventured to go

out alone to a stump in the middle of

the pond. He reached it in safety, and

was about halfway back when he called

for help. His friends immediately

put out to go to his rescue, and

reached him, but after struggling with

the exhausted boy for several mo-

ments, they were forced to let him go,

to save their own lives.

The water where the boy went down

is probably thirty or forty feet in

depth, and there have heretofore been

several drownings in this pond, which

is regarded as being of a very treacherous nature.

Dr. Blackwell, president of the col-

lege, other members of the faculty,

and a large number of the students

went to the scene of the drowning

when they riding in the sad occur-

rence, and spent several hours there

in the effort to locate the body. It

had not been recovered at a late hour

to-night. The father of the dead

youth was at once notified, and he

left DeWitt immediately in a motor

car for Ashland.

He returned to Ashland late this

afternoon, and is now in the city.

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GENERAL MADERO EAGER AND JOYOUS

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to the revolution, the Vice-President

called that the only way was for the

Federal army to pursue the rebels

persistently and constantly until they

finally conquered them.

Regarding the situation at home, he

was of the opinion that it was a critical

moment for a great country. "Not

only is it a moment of gravity for the

Mexicans themselves," said the Vice-

President, "but for foreign nations

like the United States, France and

Great Britain, whose heavy financial

interests, as well as brotherly concern,

make them earnestly wish that the

country would bring about peace."

Nevertheless, as one who loves his

country, General Madero felt that he

should utter a warning that compla-

cency probably was not yet over, and

must be met by heroic measures. He

said that he had considerable faith

in the plans of General Reyes for the

organization of the Mexican army,

and thought great importance should

be attached to these, in connection with

the "consolidating" of a vast country,

in which insurrection was likely to per-

sist until the strong hand of the govern-

ment, whether the government be

that of Diaz or another, should defeat

the rebels.

Young Mothers

No young woman, in the joy of

coming motherhood, should neglect

to prepare her system for the phys-

ical ordeal she is to undergo.

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child depends largely upon the care

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sues, muscles and tendons, involved,

and keeping the breasts in good con-

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strong where the mother has thus

prepared herself for nature's supreme

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the sacredness of the place, and the

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necessary to restrict the attendance

at the cemetery on Sundays.

On and after Sunday, May 21, 1911,

children under the age of fifteen (15)

years will not be allowed in the